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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02 September 2008.  
2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.  
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 and 12-39 is/are pending in the application.  
4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.  
5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.  
6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 and 12-39 is/are rejected.  
7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.  
8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.  
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).  
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:  
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.  
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  
3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SI-108)  
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6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Arguments***

1. Applicant's arguments filed 9/2/08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

As per page 12, applicant argues that Maruyama fails to teach or suggest the newly amended claim limitation of containing a playitem nor does Maruyama teach separately-located playlist file and clip stream files related by the playitem. Furthermore, applicant states that such "data area", "playlist area" and "management area" are three distinct areas.

In response, Maruyama teaches such playitem in at least Fig. 27 and Col. 35, lines 45-61 – wherein a user defined program chain contains both content clip streams, each having separate VOBUs. Further in response to applicant's argument that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., "separately-located" and "three distinct area") are not recited in the rejected claim(s). Although the claims are interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993).

As per page 13, applicant states that such provisionally rejected obviousness-type double patenting will be addressed when present or co-pending application have issued and the final status of the claims may be assessed.

In response, the instant application is currently provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable and cannot be issued as such (please see MPEP 804 - The merits of such a provisional rejection can be addressed by

both the applicant and the examiner without waiting for the first patent to issue. The "provisional" double patenting rejection should continue to be made by the examiner in each application as long as there are conflicting claims in more than one application unless that "provisional" double patenting rejection is the only rejection remaining in at least one of the applications).

As such, no claims are allowable and currently stand rejected.

### ***Double Patenting***

2. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

3. Claims 1-7 and 12-39 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of copending Application No. 10/766,211 in view of Maruyama et al. (US 6,385,289 B1).

**Regarding Claim 1** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of amended '211 teaches everything except what is recited below (e.g. – a data area storing at

least first and second still images and wherein a storing area per clip is associated with two images), but rejected in combination with Maruyama et al. as seen where a computer-readable medium having a data structure for managing reproduction of still images recorded on the computer-readable medium, comprising:

- a data area storing at least first and second still images (see Fig. 3 – data area having VOBUs containing video packs (Fig. 11) – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33); and
- a playlist area storing at least one playlist (Fig. 3 – having a program chain in audio & video data area), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on the first and second still images to provide for at least skipping (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images) from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information); and
- a management area storing at least a first and second clip information file (see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBs therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second still image (Fig. 11 – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the first

still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have the more than one clip information with its associated images so as to allow for video reproduction as opposed to just a single image per clip, thereby allow longer reproduction of scenes.

**Regarding Claim 2** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of '211 teaches the limitations of the elementary claim in combination with Maruyama but does not explicitly teach the limitation of this dependent claim. Therefore, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the mark information includes a first mark associated with the first still image and a second mark associated with the second still image, the first and second marks providing the presentation information on the first and second still images, respectively (Figs. 11, 27 – C\_IDN#1 having a video object unit and C\_IDN#2 having a video object unit each containing a navigation pack with presentation control – Figs. 12, 13).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have marks to enable user to define position of playback.

**Regarding Claim 3** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of '211 teaches the limitations of the elementary claim in combination with Maruyama but does not explicitly teach the limitation of this dependent claim. Therefore, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark includes a first indicator indicating

at least a stream of data where the first mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOB, 1411 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack header (Fig. 12, 110)); and the second mark includes a second indicator indicating at least a stream of data where the second mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOB, 1412 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack header (Fig. 12, 110)).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have marks to enable user to define position of playback.

**Regarding Claim 4** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of '211 teaches the limitations of the elementary claim in combination with Maruyama but does not explicitly teach the limitation of this dependent claim. Therefore, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark includes a first indicator indicating a point in a stream of data where the first mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOB, 1411 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack and system header (Fig. 12, 110, 111)); and the second mark includes a second indicator indicating a point in a stream of data where the second mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOB, 1412 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack and system header (Fig. 12, 110, 111)).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have marks to enable user to define position of playback.

**Regarding Claim 5** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of '211 teaches the limitations of the elementary claim in combination with Maruyama but does not explicitly teach the limitation of this dependent claim. Therefore, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark includes a type indicator indicating

a type of the first mark, and the second mark includes a type indicator indicating a type of the second mark (Col. 14, lines 38+ - containing a stream ID for both pack and system headers).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have marks to enable user to define position of playback.

**Regarding Claim 6** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of '211 teaches the limitations of the elementary claim in combination with Maruyama but does not explicitly teach the limitation of this dependent claim. Therefore, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the mark information indicates a number of marks in the mark information (Fig. 27 – VOB containing various sector numbers for each pack).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have marks to enable user to define position of playback.

**Regarding Claim 7** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of '211 teaches the limitations of the elementary claim in combination with Maruyama but does not explicitly teach the limitation of this dependent claim. Therefore, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark points to the first still image and the second mark points to the second still image (Fig. 12 – wherein a first pack and system header associates with the subsequent video packs, each have a still picture for the first mark and second pack and system header associates with the subsequent video packs, 88, also having a still picture for the second mark).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have marks to enable user to define position of playback.



**Regarding Claim 12** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of amended '211 teaches everything except what is recited below (e.g. – a data area storing at least first and second still images and wherein a storing area per clip is associated with two images), but rejected in combination where Maruyama et al. teaches a method of reproducing a data structure for managing reproduction of still images recorded on the computer-readable medium (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB, comprising:

- reproducing at least one playlist from the computer-readable medium, the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on first and second still images to provide for at least skipping (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images) from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12); and
- a management area storing at least a first and second clip information file (see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBs therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second still image (Fig. 11 – first VOB having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOB and first image of first video pack of secondary VOB to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip

information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the first still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have the more than one clip information with its associated images so as to allow for video reproduction as opposed to just a single image per clip, thereby allow longer reproduction of scenes.

**Regarding Claim 13** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of amended '211 teaches everything except what is recited below (e.g. – a data area storing at least first and second still images and wherein a storing area per clip is associated with two images), but rejected in combination where Maruyama et al. teaches an apparatus for reproducing a data structure for managing reproduction of still images recorded on the computer-readable medium, comprising:

- a pick up configured to reproduce data recorded on the computer-readable medium (Fig. 19, 32);
- a controller configured to control the pick up (Fig. 19, 36) to reproduce at least one playlist file and at least a first and a second clip information file from the computer-readable medium (in at least Col. 2, Lines 30-35 – playback of program chains – Fig. 34; see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBS therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain), the mark

information providing presentation information on first and second still images (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12) to provide for at least skipping from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second still image (Fig. 11 – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the first still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have the more than one clip information with its associated images so as to allow for video reproduction as opposed to just a single image per clip, thereby allow longer reproduction of scenes.

**Regarding Claim 14** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of amended '211 teaches everything except what is recited below (e.g. – a data area storing at least first and second still images and wherein a storing area per clip is associated with two

images), but rejected in combination where Maruyama et al. teaches a method of recording a data structure for managing reproduction of at least still images recorded on a computer-readable medium, comprising:

- recording (Col. 26, lines 21+; Fig. 25 - recording of video and audio data in data area) at least one playlist file and at least a first and a second clip information file from the computer-readable medium (in at least Col. 2, Lines 30-35 – playback of program chains – Fig. 34; see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBS therein VOBUs 1 and 2, 85), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on first and second still images (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12) to provide for at least skipping from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images); and
- recording at least a first and a second information file in a management area on the computer-readable medium (Col. 26, lines 21+; Fig. 25 - recording of video and audio data in data area), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second still image (Fig. 11 – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the first still image, the second information file including a

mapping information between a presentation time and the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have the more than one clip information with its associated images so as to allow for video reproduction as opposed to just a single image per clip, thereby allow longer reproduction of scenes.

**Regarding Claim 15** of the instant application, claims 1, 10, 13, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 of amended '211 teaches everything except what is recited below (e.g. – a data area storing at least first and second still images and wherein a storing area per clip is associated with two images), but rejected in combination where Maruyama et al. teaches an apparatus for recording a data structure for managing reproduction of at least still images on a computer-readable medium (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB), comprising:

- a pick up configured to record data on the computer-readable medium (Fig. 19, 32);
- a controller configured to control the pick up to record (Col. 26, lines 21+; Fig. 25 – recording of video and audio data in data area) at least one playlist file and at least a first and a second clip information file from the computer-readable medium (in at least Col. 2, Lines 30-35 – playback of program chains – Fig. 34; see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBS therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain), the mark information providing presentation

information on first and second still images (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12) to provide for at least skipping from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images), the first clip information file (Fig. 11 – first VOB having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOB and first image of first video pack of secondary VOB to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33) including a mapping information between a presentation time and the first still image and the second clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12), the first and the second clip information file corresponding to the first and the second still image, respectively.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have the more than one clip information with its associated images so as to allow for video reproduction as opposed to just a single image per clip, thereby allow longer reproduction of scenes.

**Claims 16, 22, 28 and 34** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 2.

**Claims 17, 23, 29 and 35** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 3.

**Claims 18, 24, 30 and 36** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 4.

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**Claims 19, 25, 31 and 37** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 5.

**Claims 20, 26, 32 and 38** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 6.

**Claims 21, 27, 33 and 39** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 7.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. Claims 1-7 and 12-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Maruyama et al. (US 6,385,289 B1).

**Regarding Claim 1**, Maruyama et al. teaches a computer-readable medium having a data structure for managing reproduction of still images recorded on the computer-readable medium (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB, comprising:

- a data area storing at least a first clip stream file for a first still image and a second clip stream file for a second still image (see Fig. 3 – data area having VOB containing video packs (Fig. 11) – first VOB having video pack which comprises images wherein

examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33); and

- a playlist area storing at least one playlist (Fig. 3 – having a program chain in audio & video data area), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain) and at least one playitem (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on the first and second still images to provide for at least skipping (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images) from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information), the at least one playitem indicating at least a portion of at least one of the first clip stream file and the second clip stream file to reproduce (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain); and
- a management area storing at least a first and second clip information file (see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBs therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second clip stream files (Fig. 11 – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the first clip stream file for the first still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the second clip stream file for the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of



group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

**Regarding Claim 2,** Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the mark information includes a first mark associated with the first still image and a second mark associated with the second still image, the first and second marks providing the presentation information on the first and second still images, respectively (Figs. 11, 27 – C\_IDN#1 having a video object unit and C\_IDN#2 having a video object unit each containing a navigation pack with presentation control – Figs. 12, 13).

**Regarding Claim 3,** Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark includes a first indicator indicating at least a stream of data where the first mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOBUs, 1411 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack header (Fig. 12, 110)); and the second mark includes a second indicator indicating at least a stream of data where the second mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOBUs, 1412 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack header (Fig. 12, 110)).

**Regarding Claim 4,** Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark includes a first indicator indicating a point in a stream of data where the first mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOBUs, 1411 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack and system header (Fig. 12, 110, 111)); and the second mark includes a second indicator indicating a point in a stream of data where the second mark is placed (Figs. 12, 27 – VOBUs, 1412 containing a navigation pack (Fig. 11) having a pack and system header (Fig. 12, 110, 111)).

**Regarding Claim 5**, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark includes a type indicator indicating a type of the first mark, and the second mark includes a type indicator indicating a type of the second mark (Col. 14, lines 38+ - containing a stream ID for both pack and system headers).

**Regarding Claim 6**, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the mark information indicates a number of marks in the mark information (Fig. 27 – VOBUs containing various sector numbers for each pack).

**Regarding Claim 7**, Maruyama et al. teaches the computer-readable medium of claim 2, wherein the first mark points to the first still image and the second mark points to the second still image (Fig. 12 – wherein a first pack and system header associates with the subsequent video packs, each have a still picture for the first mark and second pack and system header associates with the subsequent video packs, 88, also having a still picture for the second mark).

**Regarding Claim 12**, Maruyama et al. teaches a method of reproducing a data structure for managing reproduction of still images recorded on the computer-readable medium (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs, comprising:

- reproducing from a data area at least a first clip stream file for a first still image and a second clip stream file for a second still image (see Fig. 3 – data area having VOBUs containing video packs (Fig. 11) - first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images

wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOB and first image of first video pack of secondary VOB to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33);

- reproducing at least one playlist file in a playlist area on the computer-readable medium, the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain) and at least one playitem (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on first and second still images to provide for at least skipping (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images) from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12), the at least one playitem indicating at least a portion of at least one of the first clip stream file and the second clip stream file to reproduce (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain); and
- a management area storing at least a first and second clip information file (see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBs therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second clip stream files (Fig. 11 – first VOB having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOB and first image of first video pack of secondary VOB to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the first clip stream file for the first still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the second clip stream

file for the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

**Regarding Claim 13**, Maruyama et al. teaches an apparatus for reproducing a data structure for managing reproduction of still images recorded on the computer-readable medium, comprising:

- a pick up configured to reproduce data recorded on the computer-readable medium (Fig. 19, 32);
- a controller configured to control the pick up to reproduce from a data area at least a first clip stream file for a first still image and a second clip file for a second still image (see Fig. 3 – data area having VOB containing video packs (Fig. 11) - first VOB having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOB and first image of first video pack of secondary VOB to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33); and
- the controller configured to control the pick up (Fig. 19, 36) to reproduce at least one playlist file, in a playlist file area and at least a first and a second clip information file in a management area from the computer-readable medium (in at least Col. 2, Lines 30-35 – playback of program chains – Fig. 34; see Fig. 8, DA – storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBs therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain) and at least one playitem (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on first and second still images (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing

presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12) to provide for at least skipping from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images), the at least one playitem indicating at least a portion of at least one of the first clip stream file and the second clip stream file to reproduce (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second clip stream files (Fig. 11 – first VOB having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOB and first image of first video pack of secondary VOB to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the first clip stream file for the first still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the second clip stream file for the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOB having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOB; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

**Regarding Claim 14**, Maruyama et al. teaches a method of recording a data structure for managing reproduction of at least still images recorded on a computer-readable medium, comprising:

- recording in a data area at least a first clip stream file for a first still image and a second clip stream file for a second still image (see Fig. 3 – data area having VOB containing

video packs (Fig. 11) - first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33;

- recording (Col. 26, lines 21+; Fig. 25 - recording of video and audio data in data area) at least one playlist file in a playlist area and at least a first and a second clip information file from the computer-readable medium (in at least Col. 2, Lines 30-35 - playback of program chains - Fig. 34; see Fig. 8, DA - storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 - VTS having VOBs therein VOBs 1 and 2, 85), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 - having a cell ID number within a program chain) and at least one playitem (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 - user defined program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on first and second still images (Fig. 11 - C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 - each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12) to provide for at least skipping from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 8 - program chains skipping between various cells, having still images), the at least one playitem indicating at least a portion of at least one of the first clip stream file and the second clip stream file to reproduce (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 - user defined program chain); and
- recording at least a first and a second information file in a management area on the computer-readable medium (Col. 26, lines 21+; Fig. 25 - recording of video and audio data in data area), the first and the second clip information files corresponding to the first and second clip stream files (Fig. 11 - first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial

VOBU and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively, the first clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the first clip stream file for the first still image, the second information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the second clip stream file for the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 - each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12).

**Regarding Claim 15**, Maruyama et al. teaches an apparatus for recording a data structure for managing reproduction of at least still images on a computer-readable medium (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs), comprising:

- a pick up configured to record data on the computer-readable medium (Fig. 19, 32);
- a controller configured to control the pick up to record in a data area at least a first clip stream file for a first still image and a second clip stream file for a second still image (see Fig. 3 – data area having VOBUs containing video packs (Fig. 11) - first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33); and
- the controller configured to control the pick up to record (Col. 26, lines 21+; Fig. 25 - recording of video and audio data in data area) at least one playlist file in a playlist area and at least a first and a second clip information file from the computer-readable medium (in at least Col. 2, Lines 30-35 – playback of program chains – Fig. 34; see Fig. 8, DA –

storage of control information, having VTS's and video and picture objects; Fig. 11 – VTS having VOBS therein VOBUs 1 and 2, 85) and at least one playitem (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain), the playlist including mark information (Fig. 8 – having a cell ID number within a program chain), the mark information providing presentation information on first and second still images (Fig. 11 – C\_IDN#1 having a navigation pack containing presentation control information; Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12) to provide for at least skipping from reproducing the first still image to reproducing the second still image (Fig. 8 – program chains skipping between various cells, having still images), the at least one playitem indicating at least a portion of at least one of the first clip stream file and the second clip stream file to reproduce (Fig. 27, Col. 35, lines 45-61 – user defined program chain), the first clip information file (Fig. 11 – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33) including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the first clip stream file for the first still image and the second clip information file including a mapping information between a presentation time and a unit of the second clip stream file for the second still image (Col. 12, lines 26-33 – each VOBUs having playback time of group of pictures, images respective of VOBUs; Col. 14, lines 11-15 – each respective video pack having also a recorded presentation time stamp; Fig. 12), the first and the second clip information file corresponding to the first and the second clip stream files (Fig. 11 – first VOBUs having video pack which comprises images wherein examiner takes first image of first video



pack to be image #1 of initial VOBUs and first image of first video pack of secondary VOBUs to be image #2; Col. 12, lines 26-33), respectively.

**Claims 16, 22, 28 and 34** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 2.

**Claims 17, 23, 29 and 35** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 3.

**Claims 18, 24, 30 and 36** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 4.

**Claims 19, 25, 31 and 37** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 5.

**Claims 20, 26, 32 and 38** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 6.

**Claims 21, 27, 33 and 39** are rejected under the same grounds as claim 7.

### ***Conclusion***

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Choi whose telephone number is (571) 272-9594. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:30PM (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marsha Banks-Harold can be reached on (571) 272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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